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THE WASHINGTON LETTER.

While intense disappointment is felt because the conference, called by President Roosevelt between the coal mine operators and the representatives of the strikers, failed to accomplish its purpose, there is evident on all sides a feeling of deep gratitude to the president for his timely and eloquent appeal to the contending parties to stink their rights and differences in the interest of patriotism and humanity. Mr. Roosevelt made no attempt to adjudicate the differences or even to argue the case. He simply presented the side of the American public, so large a proportion of which is doomed to suffer as a result of the strike; notwithstanding the fact that it is in no way involved in the causes leading up to it. President Mitchell, on behalf of the Mine Workers' Union, offered to submit all differences to a tribunal to be appointed by the president, but the operators refused to recognize Mitchell or the Union he represents. They asserted that if order were preserved by the state or federal authorities, they would be able to mine a large percentage of the capacity of the mines and in the absence of such order, they did not consider that they were properly responsible for the existing condition of affairs. So far as can be seen, the conference accomplished nothing, both parties being intent on holding out in the bitter end, regardless of the suffering caused to an innocent public. It is claimed that the president will take further action though of what nature it is impossible to predict.

Soon after the president had made his appeal to the contending parties, a member of the cabinet assured your correspondent that there was no question in his mind but that the operators would agree to Mitchell's proposition as to do so at the request of the president could not be construed as a recognition of the miners' union and would insure for the railway presidents the gratitude of the entire public. The gentleman quoted had just left the White House and doubtless expressed the opinion of the conference, certain gossip, which has for several days been current in Washington, is interesting. It is known that no sooner had Attorney General Knox filed his first papers in the suit against the Northern Securities Company, than J. Pierpont Morgan came to Washington and had a more or less stormy interview with Mr. Roosevelt. It is reported that Mr. Morgan stated that as a result of the attorney general's action, there would occur a great disturbance of the financial interests of the country, by which the president replied: "I am neither a bull nor a bear in Morgan stock. I am President of the United States and an oath to execute the law. I would proceed against you or any of your combinations as quickly as I would against a strike—not because I am opposed to capital or labor, except as either of them may be violators of the laws of the country." By that statement it is claimed that the president incurred the bitter enmity of Mr. Morgan and that the latter is absolutely unwilling, therefore, that any settlement of the coal strike should come about as a result of the president's efforts for the reason that such a result would add to the latter's popularity.

In this connection it is further intimated that Mr. Morgan has had much to do with the financial stringency in New York, to alleviate which Secretary Shaw has been obligated to take such drastic measures. It is even claimed that Mr. Morgan used his influence to bring out the gold democrats at the New York democratic convention and that it is a part of his policy to defeat the republican party in the coming election and in that of 1904. The personal defeat of Mr. Roosevelt, the only man who is bold enough to oppress him, is said to be his end. He can afford to provide the defeat of the republican party for the reason that a democratic house would be powerless to effect tariff reform so long as the senate remains republican, as it must for the next six years, whereas on the other hand, he fears that a republican house might mean the reduction of certain tariff schedules dear to him and his financial friends. To what extent these assumptions are founded on fact it is hard to determine, but it is universally recognized that Mr. Morgan's influence would immediately end the coal strike if thrown on the side of the president.

An evidence of the prevalent prosperity throughout the country is furnished by the immense number of visitors who are arriving in Washington this week. It is estimated by the railway officials that a total of approximately half a million strangers will be landed in Washington by Wednesday morning. No pains have been spared by the reception committee to make the visit of the G. A. R. and the Spanish War Veterans enjoyable, and with favorable weather the encampment promises to be a great success. The city is beautifully decorated. The various historic spots are marked by appropriate signs, the capitol is decorated and opened to inspection and will be illuminated on several evenings. The Congressional Library will be open every evening and the National Museum for longer hours than usual. Every detail of the grand parade to occur on Wednesday has been worked out. The president continues to improve and with General Torrence, commander-in-chief of the G. A. R., will review the parade of the veterans, after which he hopes to return to Oyster Bay for a short rest.

The action of the New York democracy in adopting a plank in their platform apropos of the coal strike, which abrogates all claims to state rights and even threatens the rights of property, is regarded with great complacency by the republican leaders, for it furnishes additional evidence, if any were needed, of the absolute demagoguery of the democratic party. The nomination of Cole for governor of New York is also received with approval by the republicans for it means that David B. Hill has sacrificed whatever chance for victory his party may have had, to his personal ambition of a man intimately involved in trusts and of small calibre, with a view to preventing his own eclipse in 1904. The whole action of the New York convention is singularly reminiscent of the apothegm that the republican party could always win on democratic mistakes.

A Driving Trip Book

Henrietta Payne Westbrook, M. D., of Philadelphia, widow of Richard Broadhead Westbrook, D. D., LL. D., who was a brother of Mrs. Jane Emerson of this town, has written an entertaining volume entitled "The Westbrook Drives." The chapters describe in an entertaining manner the country through which the author with her husband and several friends took driving trips. The first three chapters are of peculiar interest to people in this section as they treat of "A Drive by the Delaware."

The jokes, anecdotes and lively conversation of the "parson," the "lawyer" and the "judge" amuse and entertain. Other chapters portray drives to Longwood, where the quaint sect of "Progressive Friends" hold their meetings, to the White Mountains and through New Jersey, New York, New Hampshire and Vermont. The book is written in a very readable vein and gives the reader an entertaining account of what the party saw and talked about on their drives.

New Idea Woman's Magazine

The forthcoming November number of the New Idea Woman's Magazine will afford entertaining and profitable reading in all classes and conditions of life. It will be timely, naturally, with the Thanksgiving idea, but will cover the ground of woman's needs. A novel feature will be the first of a series of bright letters from an Englishwoman's pen, under the caption of "The Journal of a London Woman." "Dressing the Bride" will set forth a new occupation for woman, and there will be a half dozen good stories by the cleverest writers. "Autumn Novelties" will illustrate the newest departures in fancy work, and in "Good Housekeeping," excellent menus for Thanksgiving dinners will prove helpful and suggestive.

His Life is Peril

"I just seemed to have all gone to pieces," writes Alfred Bee of Wallfars, Tex., "illness and a lame back had made life a burden. I couldn't eat or sleep and felt almost too worn out to work when I began to use Electric Bitters, but they worked wonders. Now I sleep like a top, eat anything, have gained in strength and enjoy hard work." They give vigorous health and new life to weak, sickly, run down people. Try them. Only 50c at all druggists.

PERSONALS

Miss Bunch Bidlack is absent on a visit to New York.

Dr. Louis de Plasse and wife of New York spent Sunday in town.

Miss Myrtle Ryder has been on a visit with friends at Pond Eddy, Pa.

Dr. C. W. Roberts made his usual trip to Scranton this week to visit patients.

Wilton Bennett, Esq., of Port Jervis with his wife and daughter visited town Wednesday.

Mrs. E. E. Griswold and daughter have returned to town after an absence of several weeks.

Protonotary John C. Westbrook and wife visited at Blooming Grove a couple of days this week.

Joseph Brown of Newport, Pa., said to be a warden of the state game association, visited here this week.

John B. Cook and wife New York, who have for many years visited Milford, are registered at the Crissman House.

Richard E. Hambert will soon begin the addition of a story to his boarding house, the Marguerite, on Water street.

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Kent of Paterson, N. J., who have been sojourning here a few days, have returned home.

De Alton Dillistin of Blanchville, N. J., the well known newspaper correspondent and popular auctioneer, was in town yesterday.

Mrs. O. B. Van Wyck and son, George, after spending a couple of weeks at Atlantic City, have gone to their Washington home for the winter.

Rumored departures from town are the families of J. O. Christians to Hawley, Mrs. Mary Shimer to Shawnee, and Mrs. Almer Terwilliger to New York.

Miss Clara Downs from Trenton, daughter of the late John Downs of Newark, visited her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Chamberlain, last week on Water street.

Joseph Shafter, who recently suffered a stroke of paralysis at Branchville, was brought here to his father's home this week. One side is quite badly affected.

Prof. G. P. Bible, former principal of the East Stroudsburg state normal school, has been appointed co-principal of the business and educational interests of the National School of Elocution and Oratory in Philadelphia.

HYMNWAL

Thrall-Horton

A very pretty wedding was celebrated at The Homestead Tuesday evening, Oct. 7, when Miss Hattie W. Horton and Frank B. Thrall, both of this place, were joined in wedlock by Rev. E. M. Smed in the presence of a few friends and invited guests. It was a pink and white affair and the house was beautifully decorated with flowers of those colors. The bride was superbly gowned in pink brocade silk trimmed with pink chiffon and carried a bouquet of white carnations. She presented a charming picture.

Miss Etta Docker performed the office of bridesmaid and was arrayed in pink and carried pink carnations.

Theodore H. Baker was best man. A sumptuous repast was provided which was thoroughly enjoyed. Both the contracting parties are well known and estimable young people who have the best wishes of many friends for a pleasant and prosperous journey through life. They will reside here where the groom is assistant postmaster and will be at home after November 1st.

Excursion Tickets to Cleveland, O. On account of the General Missionary Convention of the Methodist Episcopal Church to be held at Cleveland, O., the Erie will sell special round trip tickets from Port Jervis to Cleveland on Oct. 20th and 21st good returning to Oct. 27th at \$14.85 for the round trip.

You assume no risk when you buy Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. A. W. Balch & Son, Matamoras, all drug and general stores in Pike county will refund your money if you are not satisfied after using it. It is everywhere admitted to be the most successful remedy in use for bowel complaints and the only one that never fails. It is pleasant, safe and reliable.—10-31

On Woman Suffrage

A man sits at the dinner table and tells his wife she can't vote because she don't understand public questions. He then goes away and perches on the cracker barrel in the corner grocery and argues that the country is that prosperous that now is the time to improve it by changing the management. He will tell his wife that politics is not a woman's sphere and then he forgets to register. He despises her because she asks him questions about the Constitution of the United States that are so foolish that he can't answer them. When his children ask him how many states there are in the Union he tells them not to bother him and to ask their ma. But he don't think ma knows enough to vote for a board of supervisors.

The whole male population of some of our more chivalric towns will turn out to help give a colored citizen at the stake and then will turn homeward and shudder at the thought of woman debating herself by casting a vote. Woman might debate herself by going to the polls but she would not come into town thirty days before election with a tin can and dirty face and after a month's free lodging in the Bowery cast a vote to carry the second assembly district for Tammany. She might waste some time floundering out how to fold the ballot but the vote in that ballot would be what she thinks it ought to be and not what was suggested by the man that bought the last round of drinks for the crowd.

Woman wouldn't kick and scold and tear her hair all the year about high taxes and assessments and then go out and vote for the party that made them. She may not be a statesman but she isn't a goose. Man says that women don't know anything about the burning issues of the day. Mostly she don't know as much as he does that isn't so. He despises her because she has to ask considerable questions about things before she can think straight about them. Most males think about things offhand without needing a single fact to go on. Man feels sorry for woman because she can get a thought and yet sit down calmly and mend the children's clothes instead of going right out to impart it to the rest of world. When a man gets a happy thought it is like a convulsion of nature and he must at once mingle with the select bar trade of the forum on the corner in order to spread the glad tidings.

When a man's wife asks him how to figure the compound interest in her bank book he tells her to run away and look it up in the cyclopedic and then he will set up till two a.m. discussing cigars and the treasury surplus with a friend who has dropped around to borrow enough money to pay his gas bill. Some of the male part of our mammoth circulation write to tell us, besides what they think of us, that woman don't want the suffrage anyway. We often times suspect that those who think this are the same ones that love to think that their wives don't want a new hat for Easter or a Christmas present.

Out of all the letters that we have received in our editorial sanctum there is only one that has given us a real good reason why woman shouldn't be allowed to vote. It is that if a woman was to be bribed she couldn't keep the price she got to herself but would tell all the rest. And then every man that don't think that woman ought to vote will think that he ought to get at least as much for it, and rates would go up higher than the insurance on a block of houses owned by a freibug.

"Broser" in New York Press.

Prohibition Convention

The prohibition party of Pike county has made the following nominations: Representative, E. S. Wolfe of Milford; prothonotary, Almazan Griswold, Lackawaxen; treasurer, Marvin G. Smith, Greene; county commissioner, Judson C. Case, Lackawaxen; auditor, L. Harvey Myer, Milford.

Does Like Hot Cakes

"The fastest selling article I have in my store," writes druggist C. T. Smith of Davis, Ky., "is Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, because it always cures. In my six years of sales it has never failed. I have known it to save sufferers from throat and lung troubles who could get no help from doctors or any other remedy. Mothers rely on it, best physicians prescribe it, and all druggists guarantee satisfaction or refund price. Trial bottles free. Regular sizes 50c and \$1.

America's Famous Beauties

Look with horror on skin eruptions, blotches, acne, pimples. They don't have them, nor will any one, who use Berken's Arnica Salve. It glorifies the face. Eczema or salt rheum vanish before it. It cures sore lips, chapped hands, chilblains. Infallible for piles. 25c at all druggists.

BRIEF MENTION.

Though there has been no frost here yet the leaves are falling having become fully ripened.

Typhoid fever, caused it is alleged by impure drinking water, is rapidly spreading in Allentown.

Governor Stone has called out the entire National Guard of the state and sent the troops to the strike regions.

The regular monthly meeting of the Prohibition Alliance will be held next Monday evening at the home of Chief Burgess E. S. Wolf.

Letters testamentary d. b. n. c. t. a. on the estate of Henry Pfaffle, late of Delaware, deceased, have been granted to Frank W. Quinn.

Homor Greene, Esq., of Honesdale is the author of a little book bearing the title, "Whispering Tongues," which has just been published. The story is one of college life.

Ralph Decker of Sussex, N. J., principal of the public schools there, has just been appointed superintendent of public schools for Sussex county in place of Luther H. Hill.

Mrs. M. A. Caddeback, contemplating removal to New York, will have a large sale of farming utensils and household goods on her farm near Milford Friday, October 24th.

The Sun says the democratic party in the nation builds its hopes on bad harvests and hard times. Mr. D. B. Hill relies on fear coal to elect his man. The theory on which this sort of reasoning is based is that the public is an ass.

The price to farmers in Sussex county for milk, paid by the exchange, is 3 cents a quart. Feed stuffs are declining and with the abundant rains making good fall pasture there should be money in milk. Consequently the cows will be higher priced.

The latest substitute for heating and cooking is to take a soft brick, soak it in kerosene until it has absorbed all the oil it will, place it in the stove and set on fire. Those who have experimented say it will burn thirty minutes, furnish a hot fire and cook a meal at a cost of one cent.

Among the cases likely to be heard before Judge Archibald in the U. S. district court at Scranton Oct. 20 are those charging John L. and Benjamin C. Kuser, N. S. Smith, T. J. Barry and R. H. Brentnall, members of the Blooming Grove park association, with delivering to a common carrier packages containing game killed in violation of the laws of Pennsylvania to be shipped without the state.

Back among the hills in Lackawaxen is some very picturesque scenery and a number of easy summer homes where guests may enjoy the pure air and gain health by roaming through the forests. One of the attractive places is that of M. H. Lassley, who has a commodious house, comfortably furnished and nicely located. It is situated some three miles back of Rowlands station.

The East Stroudsburg State Normal school is one of our most persistent and progressive advertisers; we call attention to their ad in another column. The school now has a larger enrollment than it ever had before at the same time, except one year. The new teachers, of whom so much was expected, are more than fulfilling expectations and the faculty in more thoroughly organized and is stronger than ever before in the history of the school.

For Voters' Consideration

Under the above caption the March Chunk Coal Gazette, a leading republican paper in Carbon county, says: Dr. T. E. Davis, the republican candidate for congress, is a long time resident of Summit Hill. He is amply qualified for the high office to which he aspires and if elected will always be found working to advance the interests of his constituency. Vote for Dr. Davis for congress.

It does not mention Dr. Zarr, whom certain disgruntled democrats in Carbon, aided by a few republicans with ulterior purposes, are trying to get on the ticket for state senator.

OBITUARY

MISS SARAH ELLEN LAYTON.

After an illness of several months Miss Layton of Delaware township departed this life at an early hour Wednesday morning, Oct. 1st. Deceased was in ill health since last autumn but her late sickness dates from the first part of last June. She was a daughter of the late G. D. W. and Belinda Layton and was 84 years old on the 15th of last March. She was a lady of the purest motives and by precept and example was an unwavering model of excellence. For a number of years she has been a consistent member of the Methodist church. Kind-hearted, frank and of noble aspirations, she was a true friend and a valued factor in the community.

Beginning at about 18 years of age she followed teaching for a number of years in Pike county, and has taught in Sussex and Monroe counties. For three years she was employed in the Harrisburg insane asylum and for nine years was chief warden of the female department in the Warren, Pa., asylum for the insane. Her health becoming impaired under the care and responsibility at that institution, she returned to her home and again engaged in teaching until she felt unable to longer follow the profession. She is survived by four sisters, Hannah, Jonnie, Kate and Priscilla.

The funeral took place on Friday at the R. D. church, Dingman's, and was preached by Rev. W. D. Greenleaf, assisted by Rev. G. S. Garretson. The sermon was based on the words of the Apostle Paul found in the 21st verse of the 1st chapter of Philippians.

Real Estate Transfers

George Daumann, Jr., treasurer, to Pike county, 210 acres, Porter, Margaret Stocker, No. 188, taxes.

Commissioners to E. T. Riviere, same land, taxes.

J. B. Westbrook, treasurer, to Pike county, 150 acres, Porter, part of Margaret Stocker, No. 188, taxes.

Commissioners to E. T. Riviere, same land.

Joseph Andereg to Bartholomew Severin, 15 acres, Lackawaxen, part of John Musgrove, No. 195, \$60.

Martha C. Drake to Theodore Baker, 67 acres, Delaware, part of William Jackson, No. 11, \$2.

Theodore H. Baker to Stephen Drake, same land, \$2.

G. A. Swopeniser to Francis M. Homan, 58 acres, Greene, \$1800.

Mary Langan to Mary Alice Langan, 15,400 square feet, Palmyra, near Cromwelltown, \$500.

Tacy F. James and others, heirs of Harlow P. James, deceased, to Louisa James, 75 acres, Lackawaxen, \$2.

Richard P. Flug to Andris Solvenson, 40 acres, Lackawaxen, Comstock place, \$1000.

Peter Murray to Edward Kenny, 112 acres, Dingman, Fontaine farm, \$1.00.

G. F. Rowland, treasurer, to Arthur Lydner, No. 168, Isaac Wykoff, 200 acres, Porter, taxes.

Same to same, No. 73, Mathew Keny, 394 acres, Porter, taxes.

J. B. Westbrook, treasurer, to commissioners, No. 71, Gilbert Ogden, Porter, 150 acres, taxes.

Commissioners to E. T. Riviere, same land, \$2.50.

Geo. Daumann, treasurer, to commissioners, No. 71, Gilbert Ogden, Porter, 150 acres, taxes.

THE RAMBLER'S PICKINGS

Deacon Bob Johnson, who made so much noise in Leidel's grove last summer, according to the Port Jervis Gazette sold his camp meeting outfit and took the proceeds and a woman younger than Mrs. Johnson and undertook to skip. A telegram headed the good (?) man off at Middletown and the couple were brought back to Port Jervis, where the deacon got on his knees and asked the forgiveness of Mrs. Johnson, who pardoned him on his promising not to run away again, and they went off together happy. The report does not say if a fatted calf was killed or whether any hair was pulled.

Veterans T. R. J. Klein, Jake Schorr and John H. McCarty attended the G. A. R. encampment at Washington, D. C., this week.

Church attendance was rather light last Sunday.

The Dr. de Plasse cottage is closed for the winter. Mike and the big dog now have possession.

Rev. E. M. Smed is getting his hand in on making two persons one.

The Wirtz brothers got a full dose of Jersey justice.

Field's juvenile minstrels gave a very good entertainment in Brown's hall last Thursday night. Uncle Dick Harvey, the heavyweight of the Port Jervis police force, made a good door tender.

Why is it that traveling shows do not visit our borough oftener?

Wm. Struble has his lower mill in running order again, which will be good news to his many customers. The cider press will do its full share of business.

Mrs. Lizzie Lambert and family will take up their residence in New York.

Inasmuch as the editor of the Press now is the owner of a book saw, some of his subscribers should not forget to bring him a load of wood.

Reckless drivers got pulled pretty quick and the speed of autos passing through here will have to come down before somebody gets hurt.

Miss Louisa Schreiber has gone to New York for a visit of a couple of weeks.

Joseph Chamberlain has moved his real estate office from the Newman building on lower Broad street to the Wells building on Harford street.

The effects of hard cider are to be soon almighty.

How easy it is to make calculations of what you will do tomorrow, but how little we know what tomorrow will bring forth.

Officers Installed

The following were installed officers of Vandermark Lodge, No. 828, I. O. O. F., by George Daumann, D. G. M., at the meeting Oct. 2:

N. G.—George Daumann.
V. G.—John C. Watson.
Treasurer—Wm. F. Boek.
Recording Secretary—George R. Quirk.

R. S. to N. G.—T. R. J. Klein.
L. S. to N. G.—Wm. W. Drake.
Warden—Wm. H. Almer.
Com.—James A. Rondie.
R. S.—Frank Shay.
L. S.—Barry E. Cortright.
I. G.—Ed. H. Orben.

O. G.—Ed. W. McMurray.
Chaplain—R. W. Lake.
R. S. to V. G.—James W. Laner.
L. S. to V. G.—E. F. Bergot.
Rep. to G. L.—Ed. W. McMurray.

Low Rates to Portland, Me. On account of National Woman's Christian Temperance Union Convention to be held at Portland, Me., the Erie will sell special round trip tickets from Port Jervis to Portland on Oct. 13th to 16th inclusive good returning up to Oct. 24th at the following rates:

Going and returning via New York and Fall River line, \$2.55.
Going and returning via New York all rail, \$10.85.
By depositing ticket with Terminal Agent not later than 12 o'clock noon of October 15th and paying a fee of fifty cents at time of deposit an extension of return limit may be obtained to Oct. 21st.

A Ward is Traveler

The excitement incident to traveling and change of food and water often brings on diarrhoea and for this reason no one should leave home without a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. For sale by A. W. Balch and Son, Matamoras, all drug and general stores in Pike county.